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time to do that, nor does it seem to me to serve any good purpose. Time is better spent, in my opinion, by having the fiscal staff identify programs for you that may be marginal or that may no longer have the same justification, or equal justification, and having you look carefully at those. All of our time would be consumed, and is consumed in endeavors of that nature, looking at the things that have some sort of probability of effectuating some change in the way we do things. This is all fluff, in my opinion, has no meaning, and...but I would say to Senator Erdman, if he can tell me that the Governor and the Governor's office supports this amendment, I'll vote for it. But I'd...I would seriously doubt whether they would even think that this idea makes any sense whatsoever. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Erdman, you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Madam President, members. I have listened. Senator Thompson, I appreciate your comments, and I would share the idea that, you know, there are a number of alternatives, and this could be one of them. It could be coupled with something else. I think Senator Redfield pointed out to me, though, we can do performance-pay, but it's essential to have a performance audit, which I believe is LB 964 that Senator Redfield has introduced, that would allow our Auditor the opportunity to essentially hold those accountable for the money they get. In response to Senator Beutler's question, I have talked to the Governor's Office about it. Their apprehension, realistically, would be, you know, starting up right away going, you know, 100 percent. They wouldn't necessary be opposed to that standpoint, from looking at it, maybe as Senator Bourne, or another proposal like a pilot. But, you know, they do understand the costs involved here, but...but I don't think they're opposed to the philosophy involved here. At least that's the opinion that I got from the members of the administration that I've talked to. So they're not opposed to the idea. They haven't said that they would sign this into law, however. I'm not, I guess, likely to call the Governor before I introduce an amendment. But this is an opportunity for us to have this discussion. I think Senator Bourne is...originally brought this to the forefront, and I want to commend him for